

## CHAPTER NO. 426

## HOUSE BILL NO. 903

By Representatives Lynn, Hill, Maggart

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1949

By Senator Black

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-82-304 and Section 65-25-205, relative to voluntary contribution programs of utility districts and electric cooperatives.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-82-304(13), is amended in subdivision (C) by adding the following language to the end thereto:

This section prohibits discrimination by a utility district in the distribution of voluntary contributions for bona fide charitable purposes to organizations whose mission is to assist persons regardless of their race, color, creed, religion, national origin, gender, disability or age.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-25-205(d), is amended by adding a new subdivision thereto, as follows:

(3) This section prohibits discrimination by a cooperative in the distribution of voluntary contributions for bona fide charitable purposes to organizations whose mission is to assist persons regardless of their race, color, creed, religion, national origin, gender, disability or age.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: May 26, 2005**

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 2005

  
PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR